

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADEIn the Claims:

Claims 10 and 11 have been amended as follows.

10. (Amended) A method for [protection] vaccinating a mammal against diseases caused by *Salmonella enterica* subspecies I, comprising administering a vaccine according to [any of claims] claim 4[, 6, and 8] to said mammal.

11. (Amended) A method for [protection] vaccinating a mammal against diseases caused by *Salmonella enterica* subspecies I serovar Typhi, comprising administering a vaccine according to [any of claims] claim 5[, 7, and 9] to said mammal.

New claims 15-18 have been added.

--15. (New) A method for vaccinating a mammal against diseases caused by *Salmonella enterica* subspecies I, comprising administering a vaccine according to claim 6 to said mammal.

16. (New) A method for vaccinating a mammal against diseases caused by *Salmonella enterica* subspecies I, comprising administering a vaccine according to claim 8 to said mammal.

17. (New) A method for vaccinating a mammal against diseases caused by *Salmonella enterica* subspecies I serovar Typhi, comprising administering a vaccine according to claim 7 to said mammal.

18. (New) A method for vaccinating a mammal against diseases caused by *Salmonella enterica* subspecies I serovar Typhi, comprising administering a vaccine according to claim 9 to said mammal.--

REMARKSIntroductory Comments:

The present application is a 35 U.S.C. §371 filing of International Application Number PCT/SE00/01079, filed 26 May 2000.

Overview of the Amendments:

Applicants, by way of this preliminary amendment, have entered minor claim amendments and four new claims for consideration herein. Applicants respectfully request that these amendments be entered prior to calculation of the filing fees, and prior to examination of the present application on the merits.

More particularly, applicants have amended claims 10 and 11 merely to remove multiple dependencies and to recite the invention with greater particularity. Support for these claim amendments can be found in the claims as originally filed and throughout the specification, for example, at page 6, line 15 through page 7, line 11. In addition, applicants have submitted herewith new claims 15-18. Support for these new claims can be found throughout the specification and claims, particularly in claims 10 and 11 as originally filed and in the specification at page 6, line 15 through page 7, line 11. Accordingly, applicants submit that no new matter has been added by way of the above-described claim amendments and the new claims, and the entry thereof is respectfully requested.

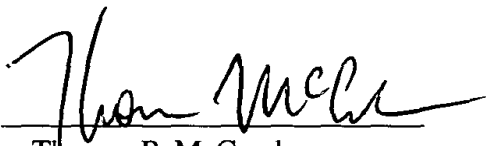
The claim amendments and the new claims have been provided in both "clean version" and in "marked-up version" in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c). The "marked-up version" of these amendments and new claims shows the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached pages are captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE".

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims define an invention which complies with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112 and which is novel and nonobvious over the art. Accordingly, allowance is believed to be in order and an early notification to that effect would be appreciated.

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